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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to rule 37 CFR 1.97, Applicants enclose herewith a set of references and a PTO Form 1449 listing said references. Applicants request that they be made of record.

One of the listed references is Yu et al., "High Density Recording Media with CrMoB Underlayer". Applicants' attorney does not know whether Yu was published in a journal, but he believes that information from this document was presented in April, 2003 at the Intermag Conference in Boston. At least some of the inventors were aware of this document before the filing date of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

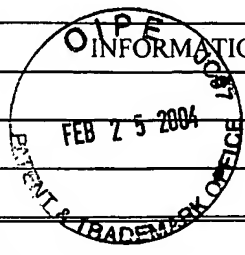
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